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SUBJECT: ECE SEMINAR ON NON-WASTE TECHNOLOGY

1. THE ECE SEMINAR ON NON-WASTE TECHNOLOGY (NWT) WAS HELD IN PARIS, NOVEMBER 29-DECEMBER 4. 146 PARTICIPANTS ATTENDED THE MEETING WHICH WAS HOSTED BY THE FRENCH.

2. THE U.S. DELEGATION WAS MADE UP OF DAVID BERG, EPA WASHINGTON (755-0205) AND DR. CHARLES CICCHETTI, UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN. TECHNICAL EXPERTS FROM THE U.S. IN ATTENDANCE INCLUDED DR. C. LEMBIT KUSIK (ARTHUR D. LITTLE), DR. ARTHUR PURCELL (T.I.P.), DR. DAVID CORN (UCLA), DR. HAYNES GODDARD (EPA), FRED SMITH (EPA), DR. ROBERT REID (E.& E.A., INC.) AND DR. T.V. LONG (UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO).

3. THE SEMINAR PROGRAM COVERED THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

1. CONCEPTS AND PRINCIPLES OF NWT;
2. STATE OF NWT;
 - A. NATIONAL EXPERIENCE AND POLICY;
 - B. INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE;
 - C. CASE STUDIES ON THE IRON AND STEEL, PULP AND PAPER, PACKAGING AND TIRE INDUSTRIES;
3. BENEFIT/COST ASPECTS OF NWT;
4. WAYS AND MEANS OF IMPLEMENTING NWT;
5. METHODOLOGICAL AND STRATEGIC ASPECTS OF NWT.

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4. THE ONLY EXTRANEIOUS POLITICAL ISSUE WHICH AROSE WAS THE PROTEST BY A USSR RAPORTEUR WITH RESPECT TO THE PARTICIPATION OF TWO WEST GERMAN REPRESENTATIVES WHOSE AFFILIATION WITH THE FEDERAL ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY (FEA), LOCATED IN WEST BERLIN, WAS ANNOUNCED. THE HEAD OF THE U.S. DELEGATION READ A PREPARED RESPONSE. THE SIGNATORY COUNTRIES OF THE QUADRIPARTITE AGREEMENT AND THE FRG AGREED ON A PROCEDURE WHICH AVOIDED FURTHER MENTION OF INSTITUTIONAL AFFILIATIONS BY PARTICIPANTS, AND THE ISSUE WAS DROPPED.

5. OBSERVATIONS OF THE U.S. DELEGATION ON THE SEMINAR INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING.

A. NWT -- UNDERSTOOD AS MEANING, IN ESSENCE, THE PLANNING OF MANAGEMENT OF HUMAN ACTIVITIES TO MINIMIZE THE WASTE OF MATERIALS AND ENERGY -- HAS AN IMPORTANT AND PRACTICAL ROLE TO PLAY IN PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT. NWTs ARE SEEN AS AN ALTERNATIVE TO CONVENTIONAL POLLUTION CONTROL TECHNOLOGIES WHICH REDUCE WASTE AND POLLUTION IN PRODUCTION PROCESSES AND IN CONSUMPTION.

B. THE INCREASING USE OF THE NWT CONCEPT WAS EVIDENT IN THE STATEMENTS OF BOTH EASTERN BLOC COUNTRIES AND WESTERN EUROPEAN NATIONS. DEVELOPING NATIONS PRESENT CAUTIONED THAT TO THE EXTENT NWT INCREASES PRICES OR CAPITAL COSTS, CONVENTIONAL TECHNOLOGIES MAY CONTINUE TO BE USED IN THOSE COUNTRIES.

C. THE USE OF NWT HAS AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN REDUCING THE CONSUMPTION OF SCARCE OR EXPENSIVE ENERGY AND MATERIALS.

6. SEVERAL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE ECE SEMINAR ADVISORS ON ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS ARE CONTAINED IN THE FINAL REPORT OF THE SEMINAR. KEY AMONG THEM ARE THE FOLLOWING:

A. ECE (WITH UNEP) SHOULD PROVIDE AN INFORMATION EXCHANGE ROLE ON NWT.

B. ECE AND THE UN SHOULD CONSIDER USING RECYCLED PAPER TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE (U.S. PROPOSAL).

C. MEMBER COUNTRIES SHOULD SEEK TO HARMONIZE ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS.

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D. MEMBER COUNTRIES AND THE ECE SHOULD ENGAGE IN NWT EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND PURSUE ECONOMIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL RESEARCH IN NWT.

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